

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Amendments to the specification are shown in the following replacement paragraphs marked up to show changes made relative to the immediate prior version. Please amend the first two paragraphs on page 2 after the heading "Summary of the Invention" as follows:

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Systems and methods consistent with the present invention allow a player to play a game of chance. The system may include a plurality of game terminals and a central controller connected to each of the plurality of game terminals. Each game terminal may include means for receiving a game choice (e.g., a selection of predetermined numbers, colors, and/or symbols) and a wager amount for a game from a player, means for executing software application programs in response to an externally-generated set of random numbers, means for displaying the result of the game, and means for transmitting game-player activity information (e.g., ~~result of the game, the wager amount, player's updated account balance, a game terminal number, a game type code, a game number, a date, and/or a time~~) to the central controller on a per-game basis. The game terminal may further include means for receiving player identification information from the player.

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The central controller may include a database to store player account balances for a plurality of players, an interface to receive, from the plurality of game terminals, ~~game-~~
~~information~~ player activity information on a per-game basis, and a processor for adjusting the player account balances on a per-game basis. J.N.M.

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